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COUNCIL OF COMMISSIONERS

Key Points from the Commissioners Council

The Council of Commissioners met in Montreal from June 23 to 26, 2015. Here are some of the key decisions made during this meeting.

Adoption of the KSB vision and strategic plan

During the last school year, the Kativik School Board worked on the development of a strategic plan. Rooted in our mission statement, the strategic plan sets five clear priorities towards which the school board's activities will be aligned. Short term and long term goals are also identified under each of these five priorities.

After a careful review and recommended amendments, the Council of Commissioners approved the strategic plan. Once finalized, this document will be shared with all employees.

Adoption of the KSB 2015-2016 Operational Budget

Budget negotiations are currently on-going with the MEESR (Quebec Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Research) for the 2015-2016 school year.

Pending the conclusion of these negotiations, the Council of Commissioners reviewed and approved the school board's operational budget for 2015-2016. The approved budget covers all current activities and projects of our departments and schools.

It includes the continuation of important school board projects such as: 1) the Culturally responsive school calendar piloted in the communities of Quaqtaq, Umiujaq, Kangiqsujuaq and Akulivik; 2) the Compassionate Schools project.

With regard to construction projects that allow the KSB to increase its capacity through either the construction of a new building or the expansion of an existing one, the KSB received on June 25, 2015 the

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The Council of Commissioners approves the strategic plan

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letter of MEESR approving the construction of a school in Aupaluk. The new school will replace the one that burned in 2014. The KSB is still waiting for the MEESR's approval in relation to the construction of 10 residential units in Kuujjuaq, 6 residential units in Salluit and 4 residential units in Umiujaq.

Besides reports presented to the Commissioners by each department of the school board, the following two initiatives were also discussed:

1. Pilot project on parental involvement: In February 2015, Innalik School announced the launch of a pilot project that aims to improve communication and cooperation between the school and the community to promote student success. Teachers Stella Smiler, Nancy Osbourne, and Oleepeka Metuq spent months working on the development of the project's objectives and activities. Project implementation will continue in September. The next steps will include a results assessment, with the view of sharing successful tools with other Nunavik communities.

2. Strengthening the school board's brand: As approved by the Commissioners, the Kativik School Board is working on the development of a new logo and website. The new logo will be launched during the 2015-2016 school year.

Keep your eyes
open for Innalik
School's Parental
Involvement
Project